14. To the extent that one or more of these claims are deemed allowable, Claims 14-17 should also be included.

Early action on the merits is solicited.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381NP/50238).

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 32. (Amended) An exhaust turbo-supercharger for an internal combustion engine [, in the internal combustion engine comprising the exhaust turbo-supercharger and] according to claim 30, further comprising a catalyst [,] which [comprises] includes a catalyst mounting portion in a turbine outlet portion.
- 34. (Amended) An exhaust turbo-supercharger for an internal combustion engine [, in the internal combustion engine comprising the exhaust turbo-supercharger] according to claim 30, wherein an exhaust bypass flow passage independent of and arranged in parallel with a turbine flow passage for guiding exhaust gas into a turbine impeller is formed, and an exhaust flowing portion from an exhaust manifold to the exhaust bypass passage and a turbine outlet are connected by a straight pipe.
- 39. (Amended) An exhaust turbo-supercharger for an internal combustion engine [, which comprises] according to claim 30, further comprising a porous material on an inner wall surface of turbine flow passage.
- 40. (Amended) An exhaust turbo-supercharger for an internal combustion engine [, which comprises] according to claim 30, further comprising a mechanism in an intake air flow passage, said intake air flow passage being capable of making intake air bypassing a compressor.

44. (Amended) An exhaust turbo-supercharger for an internal combustion engine [, which comprises] according to claim 30, further comprising a mechanism in an exhaust flow passage, said mechanism making exhaust gas flow out by bypassing a turbine.